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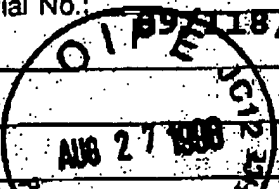Inventor(s): **Takahiro NISHI et al.**

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